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Applicant : Vishnu K. Agarwal
Serial No. : 09/652,714
Filed : August 31, 2000
Title : DEVICE AND METHOD FOR PROTECTING AGAINST OXIDATION OF A CONDUCTIVE LAYER IN SAID DEVICE

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Group Art Unit : 2815
Examiner : Jose R. Diaz

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114**

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Sir:

Applicant requests continued examination, under 37 C.F.R. 1.114, of the above-identified application.

1. Submission Required Under 37 C.F.R. 1.114

- a. ☒ Submission previously submitted
 - i. ☒ Consider the amendment/reply under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 previously filed on March 4, 2002.
 - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____.
 - iii. ☐ Consider the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) previously filed on _____.
- b. ☐ Submission enclosed
 - i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
 - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

2. Suspension of Action (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i) required)

☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. 1.103(c) for a period of ____ months.

3. Accompanying Papers

☒ Postcard
☒ Check
☒ Fee Transmittal Sheet
☐ Petition

4. Deposit Account

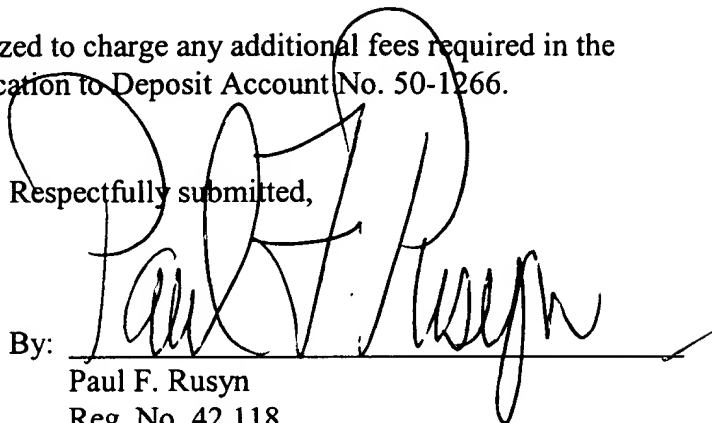
☒ The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees required in the above-identified patent application to Deposit Account No. 50-1266.

Respectfully submitted,

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